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STATE CAPITOL NEWS

By MELVIN LORD
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12 —(UP)— California farmers believe that unemployment relief regulations should not put a premium on loafing.

In one of the most sharply worded resolutions adopted by the California farmers and fruit growers convention, it was urged that relief be denied persons who refuse to work when they are physically able to do so.

Delegates also urged that competition between agricultural producing areas shall be considered in establishing relief wage scales.

Threat of a break between Fred Stewart, Oakland, and Richard E. Collins, members of the state board of equalization, over Collins' action to clean up liquor administration in Alameda and Contra Costa counties was averted when Stewart returned here from a tax meeting in the east and backed the chairman's drive.

Stewart said he was in accord with actions which resulted in resignation of E. M. Bergsten, assistant liquor control officer in Oakland, and added that "Michael Connolly, chief control officer, would have to explain why liquor establishments have operated without licenses."

As a result of the Oakland irregularities, investigations were started in other districts by the board.

Income from the state's sales tax for the third quarter of the year decreased $816,881 to a total of $15,871,571, the equalization board reported. It was the first quarter in which the 3 per cent rate with foodstuffs exempt was in effect.

Frank Y. McLaughlin, California relief administrator, is confident there is no cause for alarm as far as the state's ability to care for the unemployed is concerned. McLaughlin said adequate funds were available to care for the jobless by means of direct relief until they can be transferred to WPA work projects.

Dismissal of a complaint against Fred W. Links, chief accounting officer of the state department of finance, charging him with misuse of state funds, climaxed another phase of the series of investigations into state financial practices.

Links was accused of using state funds for private purchases, evidence showing however, that he always deposited a personal check to cover the purchases. The practice of officials using state discounts for personal purchases has been stopped since the Links case was made public.

SCHOOL CHILDREN TO PRESENT PROGRAM

The school children of the Hobart Mills School will present a Christmas program at the Hobart Hall on the evening of December 20 at 7:30 o'clock.

At this time the Parent Teachers Assn. will present the hope chest which has been on display at the Hobart store to the holder of the lucky number. Numerous pieces of fancy work will also be disposed of. The proceeds from these articles will be used for the work of the Parent Teachers Assn.

Knights Of Pythias Elect New Officers

Summit Lodge, No. 56, Knights of Pythias held the election of officers for the coming year at their meeting held on Friday night.

The following officers will serve for the ensuing year:

C. C., B. A. Canonic; V. C., Al. Fontana; P., R. Cardinel; M. of W., Karl Weeks; M. of E., Ben Tonini; M. of F., J. F. Lichtenberger; K. of R. & S., Wm. Englehart; M. at A., Robt. Seibold; I. G., Fred Kohler; O. G., D. Dundas and Trustee Wm. Bottcher.

The officers will be installed at the first meeting in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Tonini To Manage Lewis Store

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tonini are now in charge of the Lewis Store on Main Street owned by Mrs. Hazel Lewis. Mrs. Lewis is receiving medical attention in Oakland and Mr. and Mrs. Tonini will be in charge during her absence.

LIKE HIS GRANDDAD

Representative Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., of Beverly, Mass., who has formally announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for United States senator, an office held for many years by his grandfather, who was one of the commonwealth's most distinguished senators. He is thirty-three years old.

BIDS FOR SCHOOL OPENED TONIGHT

All Bids Will Be Closed at 5 P. M. Tonight and Will Be Opened in Office of County Superintendent of Schools at Nevada City.

All bids for the new grammar school building to be erected on the site of the present school building on Church Street must be in the hands of Mrs. Ella M. Austin, county Superintendent of Schools at Nevada City by five o'clock tonight. The bids will be immediately opened and the contract for the erection of the building will be let without delay.

Tim O'Hanrahan will represent the school trustees at the meeting which will be attended by the architect and contractors and their representatives who have submitted bids.

The Truckee district voted $22,000 last July for the erection of a new school and a federal grant of $14,727 has been made.

Bids that have been submitted for the erection of new schools at Grass Valley and Nevada City have been found to be far in excess of the bond issues. The extreme highness of the bids is attributed to the compulsory scale of prices for labor in the PWA contracts and to the elaborateness of the plans and specifications.

If bids for the construction of the Truckee school are found to exceed the bond issues, alternate bids will be considered, which will doubtless call for the elimination of some of the features in the present plans.

Quick action must take place on the letting of the contract for the new school building as start of the first work must be made by December 14 the deadline set by the federal government for such projects.

MRS. LAZZARI IS PARTY GUEST

Mrs. Edith Lazzari was guest of honor at a stork shower and luncheon on Monday given by Mrs. Dorothy Garibaldi and Mrs. Julia Ciardella.

Those present were: Mrs. Al. Pfaendler, Mrs. Gena Guidi, Mrs. Carola Digesti, Mrs. Frances Halfpenny, Mrs. Katherine Ghirard, Mrs. J. Moro, Mrs. Marina Domini, Mrs. Sadie Noble, Mrs. Mary Giovannoni, Mrs. Edith Petroni, Mrs. Bob Sala, and the hostesses, Mrs. Ciardella and Mrs. Garibaldi.

Odd Fellows Hold Election of Officers

Donner Lodge of Odd Fellows held their annual election of officers at their lodge rooms on Saturday night. The following officers were elected to serve in the ensuing year: Joe Saia, Noble Grand; O. T. Schumacher, Vice Grand; F. A. Titus, Secretary and J. F. Lichtenberger, Treasurer.

The new officers will be installed in January as well as the appointive officers.

EDITORIAL

A strange situation now exists on the relief work in California with respect to men being denied work on WPA projects. Considerable dissatisfaction and criticism can be heard from many communities at the attitude assumed in certifying men for the present WPA relief work.

Men who were on the relief rolls last spring were urged to find private employment if possible. It now appears that under the present ruling men who left the relief rolls during the summer months are now to be penalized for their action. Truckee, like many other small communities, has only seasonal work and the heaviest peak of unemployment always comes during the winter months between November and May. Practically all of the unemployed in town are local residents and we feel sure that it cannot be the purpose of those in authority to deprive these men of the right to work under the relief program.

With the approval of the federal government of the WPA community project most if not all of these men can be gainfully employed, thus relieving their own situation and aid in constructive work of great economic value to the community.

It is hoped that steps will be taken soon to change the present ruling and thus bring relief to those men who are making an honest effort to help themselves.

CAMERA STAFF AT LAKE TAHOE

A crew of the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer camera staff of Hollywood arrived at Tahoe City this week to film cloud scenes for a new MGM production, "The Good Earth," taken from one of Pearl Buck's most pupular books.

The camera men are spending some time in Carson valley taking field and farm views, as the locale of the picture is laid among the farm lands of China, too distant for practical filming of the actual location of the story. Elmer Dwyer, in charge of the work, estimates that about two weeks will be spent around Tahoe, filming the various cloud effects and background scenes necessary to complete the production.

At Chatsworth, forty miles north of Los Angeles, the motion picture company has leased several hurdred acres of land which is now being tilled and planted to wheat and rice to prepare realistic scenes for the picture.

Donner Chapter R. A. M. Hold Election

The election of officers for the ensuing year was held by Donner Chapter No. 39, Royal Arch Masons at the stated communication on December 2nd. The following officers were elected.

High Priest, J. B. Maxsom; King, Eric Gram; Scribe, Roy A. Feathers; Treasurer, Wm. Wilkie, Sr.; Secretary, R. A. Toniniand Trustee R. A. Tonini.

SNOW STORM HITS REGION

Cloudy weather has prevailed throughout the region this week and a rain and snow storm which started on Wednesday resulted in a fall of about fourteen inches of snow. The storm is predicted to continue for another twenty-four hours and the wind is reaching gale proportions on the Summit. The highway department have been busy all Wednesday night keeping the summit highway open for travel and have had many drifts to contend with. Traffic is allowed to proceed over the summit with chains required.

LADIES AID TO HAVE SILVER TEA

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist Church will hold their annual silver tea at the home of Mrs. Dan Smith on Church Street on Wednesday afternoon from 2 o'clock to 4 o'clock. A silver collection will be taken.

There will be on sale aprons, towels and other gift suggestions, on which the society has been working for some time. Homemade pies and cakes will also be on sale.

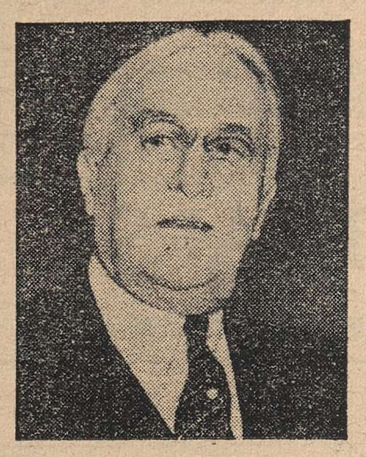
DEPUTY TO VISIT LIONS CLUB

Deputy District Governor Norman Brown of Carson City will make his official visit to the Truckee Den Lions Club on next Wednesday evening.

Will Rogers' Steer Sold for Charity

On exhibit at the Great Western Livestock show in Los Angeles, Calif., "Old Jim," a 2,310-lb. Texas long-horn steer which belonged to Will Rogers and was considered one of his prize possessions, was sold to Los Angeles promoters at 30c per pound. The proceeds of the sale were given to the Salvation Army for charitable purposes at the request of Mrs. Rogers.

SELFRIDGE HONORED



Harry Gordon Selfridge, who has made fame and fortune as a merchant in London, England, recently visited his home town, Ripon, Wis., and received from Ripon college the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters

LOCAL PROJECT NOW APPROVED

The Sum of $11,835 has Been Allocated for the Ice Palace Project. Start of Work Awaits SERA Certification of Workers.

Continuation of the SERA project sponsored by the Truckee Public Utility District has been assured with the announcement that $11,835 has been allocated to Truckee for the construction of a community center.

The project is for the construction of the ice palace which was started last June. Before the SERA was closed down last August considerable headway had been made in clearing the ground and excavating for the foundation and some of the foundation had been built. The money allotted to this project is for the completion of the foundation and the erection of the walls which are to be built of native rock.

The start of the work on the project will await the certification of eligible workers by the SERA. C. Edmunds who is supervising the erection of the ice plaace states that the SERA claim there are no eligible unemployed available for this work and until this matter can be straightened out, the start on the project will be held up.

A report of the status of this project was made to the Truckee Chamber of Commerce on Monday and the members were at a loss to understand the attitude of the SERA officials with respect to workers for this project. It was brought out that the SERA representatives had repeatedly urged men on relief during the past year to do their utmost to get outside employment, so that that they might be taken off the relief rolls. Those who were fortunate enough to secure outside employment now find themselves unable to get back on relief work, which they are in urgent need of.

Many communities are protesting this ruling and are requesting the SERA officials to give employment to men who are now in need of work.

MRS. WEEKS HONORS MRS. OATES

Mrs. Carl Weeks was the hostess at her home Thursday afternoon at a stork shower for Mrs. Harvey Oates.

A social afternoon was spent with dainty refreshments served by the hostess.

Those enjoying the hospitality of Mrs. Weeks were: Mesdames Harvey Oates, Stegeman, M. Barner, R. Luck, A. Haskel, S. M. Richardson, W. Carman, F. Cano, R. Wallace, J. Archie, John Thornton, C. Keck, H. L. Langille, F. Brown, Frank Holt and Miss A. Jozeph.

Many lovely gifts were presented to Mrs. Oates.

Will Contest Trial Set For January

Contest of the will of the late Bertha Hope has been set for trial on January 28th before a jury in the superior court in Nevada City.

Fish and Game Commission To Make Survey

John Spencer an engineer of note and an expert on installation of fish screens and other hydraulics which apply to water diversions, has been employed by the Division of Fish and Game, Department of Natural Resources, to make a survey of these and kindred subjects for the Division.

Mr. Spencer at one time was an employee of the Division in the Bureau of Hydraulics, but left to go with the U.S. Government where he performed duties along somewhat similar lines. The members of the Fish and Game Commission have for months past been considering plans looking to the screening of important water diversions in the state, where millions of fish are killed yearly by means of power wheels and irrigation ditches. Spencer will inspect these diversions which are not properly screened, and report to the commission as to approximate costs, locations and general feasibility of the projects.

Sportsmen's organizations all over the state look upon these unscreened water diversions as one of the biggest menaces to fish conservation and have endeavored vainly to have the legislature pass a law which will put the burden of installation on the diverter of the water. Such a law was passed several years ago but a succeeding legislature changed it and imposed one-half the cost on the Division of Fish and Game. Lack of funds has in the past prevented the Commission from dealing with this question in a broad way.

Caravan Cars Stalled On Summit Highway

Garage men were kept busy Wednesday night and Thursday in towing sixty-two Studebaker caravan cars which became stalled in the snow while attempting to go over the Summit on Wednesday night. The cars were strung along the highway from the Checking Station, where they were checked through about eight o'clock, to the Yuba Pass highway station.

The checking station report another caravan of sixty-five cars are expected through on Friday.

Do Not Send For Plates Until Notified

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12 —(UP)— Ray Ingels director of motor vehicles, has broadcast an appeal to motorists to withhold orders for 1936 license plates until they receive postcards later this month telling them how much taxes they must pay on their machines for next year.

The department is forced to return scores of letters daily to persons who are seeking to place advance orders for registration plates. It will be necessary for motorists to include payment for the "auto in lieu" tax—at the rate of $1.75 per $100 valuation in addition to the $3 for the plates.

Veteran's Affidavits Can Be Filed Direct

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12 —(UP)— Ex-service men who are entitled to an exemption of $1000 in property taxes in California will not have to take their affidavits of war service to city and county assessors before applying for their 1936 automobile license plates.

Ray Ingels, director of motor vehicles announced that the department's various offices have arranged to take veterans' affidavits at the time they apply for license plates. The $1000 exemption may be applied to ex-service men's automobiles in the payment of the new automobile tax which becomes effective upon renewal of number plates for next year.

Veterans who are legal residents of California are entitled to vehicle license fee exemption to the amount of $1000, provided they do not own property in their name and in the name of their wife to the amount of $5000 or more. Everyone else must pay a motor vehicle charge of $1.75 per $100 valuation as fixed by the department, in addition to the regular $3 license plate fee. The $3 fee must be paid by veterans, also.

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MUST ENFORCE MOTOR LAWS

The appalling increase in highway traffic deaths has become a matter of national and state concern, according to California editors.

Safety compaigns, however, were expected to prove futil unless there was strict enforcement of motor vehicle laws and a good measure of co-operation by the dirvers themselves.

"There are continuing evidences arising from scattered places," said the Redwood City Tribune, "that the people have become aroused to the growing seriousness of traffic casualties and of the lack of necessity for tolerating a condition whose remedy lies in prevention. A tightening up the licensing of drivers, and a growing disposition among officers and courts to 'be tough' with the worst offenders are promising developments."

"It is absurd," remarks the Berkeley Daily Gazette, "to say that society cannot find a remedy for the auto menace. For a time it was felt that headway was being made against careless driving through frank and open newspaper and magazine discussion of the horrors of motor accidents. Such newspaper reporting does not make pleasant reading and it is repugant to most editors to publish terrifying details, but if by shocking the people into a greater state of caution a partial remedy for the auto menace can be found, there would be justification for general adoption of such a policy."

The trouble is, notes the Marysville Appeal-Democrat, that "the toll of traffic deaths and injuries and the propaganda for greater safety are both so familiar that they have little effect. We go merrily on our way, regardless of the terrific penalty recklessness is exacting, all of us convinced that the horror of injury or sudden death will not strike us. Educational propaganda is good as far as it goes, but it must be backedup by rigid enforcement of the safety laws if we are to get real results. A great many careless drivers will listen to no advice unless it comes from the judge in the form of a fine or jail term."

As a cause of accidents, points out the Tulare Advance Register, the 'asleep at the wheel' kind "is fatal just twice as often as any other. Twelve per cent of such smashups cause death, while only 6.9 per cent of all auto accidents are fatal. It is true that trucks and busses, because of the long, tedious stretches of often 16 to 19 hours that their drivers must be at the wheel, cause by far the most driver asleep crashes. Sleep, man's good friend at the right time, is his worst enemy at the wrong time."

"Of all weapons being used to combat motor traffic accidents," declares the San Ysidro Border Press, "enforcement is ultimately the most important. This is not to minimize the vital need for such primary measures as education and engineering, for education is a great hope and only through it can we achieve the ideal of self-government. Traffic engineering is a fast-developing science which can and does go far in reducing the probability of motor accidents caused by faults in street and highway design and construction. Nevertheless, until education teaches the motorist better habits enforcement must assume the practical leadership in accident reduction."

As viewed by the Long Beach Press Democrat, "a large portion of the accidents actually are caused by drivers who perhaps in other respects are law-abiding citizens, but who suffer lapses of caution and right thinking when behind the wheel of a car. It is for the traffic officer to control the speed maniac and the deliberately reckless driver, but the number of accidents could be reduced by 50 per cent if the otherwise sane and sober citizen would act that way while driving."

CHRISTMAS SEALS

Once more America's battle against tuberculosis is on. From now until Christmas an army of workers will carry forward the drive to sell Christmas seals to replenish the war chest of the Nation's major offensive against disease.

As always, a certain proportion of the people will not take the trouble to buy any simply because they fail to realize what great accomplishments even the smallest purchases help to make possible.

Back in 1900 when this drive began, tuberculosis was America's most deadly enemy. Today as a cause of death it is seventh behind heart disease, cancer, cerebral hemorrhage, nephritis, accidents and pneumonia. The "T.B." death rate has dropped from 201.9 per 100,000 population to 65.6.

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LESS THAN TWO WEEKS NOW
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And still, despite this effectiveness of the war against it, this preventable disease killed 71,609 Americans last year.

Already wonders have been worked with the proceeds of these Yuletide campaigns. But there is still much to be done. much that your support can bring about.

Let us all buy Christmas seals and help to save more lives next year.

POETRY IN TAPESTRY

Such is a calendar of the months, and their slow and full rotation can be studied in many manuscripts, while those loaded days, for each day portrayed had to have a month of labour in it, have been poured into an immortal mould in Breughel's pictures of the months, of which there are only four left in existence. Most wonderful of these is his famous snow-scene, standing for February, with the huntsmen coming down with their dogs from the hills, while in the late afternoon the villages in the plain below are just shutting up for the night, the labourers will all be home in their cottages, and the little boys sliding on the ice have come back to their mothers. The trees are trebly blossomed with the snow and so are the roofs and the whole landscape for mile upon mile down the Burgundian plain. The winters of the whole mediaeval age between the time of Celt and Goth, and the days of Bourbon and Hapsburg, are here cast into a final and eternal form that requires nothing added and can allow nothing to be taken away.

Tapestry is a more hedged and cumbered poetry than this. It was never enough to tell one story at a time. But these are the master works of the North, as beautiful in their finest examples as the works of the best Flemish painters. They are another instance of the anonymity of nearly everything mentioned in this book, because, even when the designer of the cartoons is known, their interpretation into tapestry required an extraordinary invention of detail, and the flowers and little animals, very often the details of the robes worn by the figures, had to be supplied out of the weaver's mind during the long years required in their making. Thus no one person can ever be said to be responsible for the whole effect, and often the credit must have been divided, over a span of years, among as many artists as there were actors in the drama under construction. The patrons of that day reckoned the value of a work of art in terms of the amonut of labour expended upon it, and, particularly where a set of tapestries was concerned, simplification was unheard of and would never have been allowed.

The steep, narrow composition of a tapestry, more often than not higher than its own length, serves to tighten and compress its tall actors. Their dresses are further elaborated into the stiffest patterns standing quite still before the eye, beside a plethora of little woodland flowers that in their happy lack of perspective are sown between the castles and the trees, and down by the fountain-foot among the figures gathered there. In their midst are two knights in plated armour with chain sleeves, and this pair of slow and clattering ghosts are but waiting for the herald's horn blowing into a nearer fanfare than the huntsmen in the forest to enter the lists and mount their armoured horses. Yet the hunting party, but a few threads away, have gone a great distance into the acorn-wood, and there is a swineherd near them whose language will be so uncouth that they cannot understand him and must drop their questions as useless and go down the glade where the stag's last belling was heard. This will lead them at the end into some quilted hills with rocks where the stag can hide and never be found; or he may stand in the stream so that the hounds have no scent. Sacheverell Sitwell, in "The Gothick North."

Politically Speaking

By GEARGE E. HELMER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12 —(UP)— The most acceptable birthday present Fred W. Links ever received was that given him by Justice of the Peace Richard Talbot, who dismissed charges that Links had violated the penal code by using state funds for personal purchases.

Links, superintendent of accounts in the state department of finance, observed his 44th birth anniversary on the day his preliminary hearing ended in a dismissal.

The justice, instead of holding Links for a superior court trial, said he believed no one man should be imprisoned for violations which had been common practice over a period of many years, and that the point in question was the reorganization of the system to prevent further abuses.

"State officials have been given sufficient warning," Judge Talbot said.

Dismissal of the charges, which were brought by Assemblyman Leon M. Donihue after the county grand jury had failed to return an indictment, drew mixed reactions at the capital.

"That ends that," remarked one of the capitol police, with a laugh. "Now the newspapers here won't have any scandal to play with. Others can get away with things."

No one was particularly surprised, because the violation was technical; the state had lost no money; the practice was widespread. It was agreed that had Links been ordered to superior court trial and later been convicted, many others probably should have been forced to join him.

There were conjectures however over the possibility of the system continuing since Links, reputedly one of the worst offenders, had "gotten away with it."

Donihue head of the assembly audit investigating committee, has been criticized severely by some administration heads for "grabbing the credit for finding things which we already had discovered" and for sensationalizing developments of the various inquiries.

It was his disclosures, however, which gave impetus to the cleanup drive; the reorganization of the audit system in the state treasury; the halting of the practice of using state revolving funds for personal purchases and of the widespread system of state employes taking advantage of the state discount in buying everything from golf balls to automobiles; the general movement to eliminate carelessness in the handling of state monies.

The department of finance knew many of the things which Donihue disclosed, but said nothing about them for publication. Had it not been for Donihue, observers agree, it is doubtful whether the public would have been informed of the conditions.

Fred Links was reported to have told D. A. Sargent, Donihue's accountant, that it was not "good politics" to make public the fact that there were irregularities in the state government.

Donihue was indignant because Arlin E. Stockburger, finance director, ordered the treasurer to refuse payment of a warrant issued to Sargent in payment for a report accepted by the Donihue committee.

"If this wasn't a direct attempt to block any further discoveries by my committee, then why should Stockburger pick on this one report which lambasted his own department, after the practice of purchasing reports had been common for 15 years and never before had been officially questioned?" Donihue asked.

Stockburger's order, while directed solely at Sargent, blocked the purchase of any kind of reports by any committees. Controller Ray L. Riley sent letters to the chairmen of 37 interim groups informing them that until the report purchasing question has been settled in the courts he will honor claims for nothing except traveling expenses and stamps.

In other words, the work of 37 committees must come to a standstill because none of them will be able to pay for shorthand reports of testimony or for any other kind of investigation that cannot be conducted solely by mail. There can be no more inquiries into public ownership of utilities, the Huntington Beach tideland oil situation, the possibilities of levying a severance tax and other controversial matters until the Sargent problem is solved.

Politicians here venture to predict that the stopping of all committees should please mightly a number of interests.

First Work To Start On Mather Field

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12 —(UP)— Preliminary work in rehabilitating Mather field, war-time air training camp near here, will start about December 15, according to Secretary Manager Arthur Dudley of the local chamber of commerce.

A PWA grant of $139,000 for the project will be available at that time, Dudley said he was informed. The funds will be used to install a draining system, ordnance magazine. gasoline storage and distributing plant, and to fence in the reservation.

Additional funds to complete the work of rehabilitation are expected to be included in the next war department budget.

STATE TAKES HOMES

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12 —(UP)— Persons receiving old age pensions are barred from willing their homes to relatives when they die, according 'o Attorney General U. S. Webb.

The opinion was given in response to a query as to whether a Sonoma county woman might pass her $1500 home to a dependent daughter. Under the law, Webb said, persons who go on old age pensions must give the state or county a lien on whatever property they own.

Even homesteading proceedings would prove of no avail in such cases, Webb ruled.

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TAHOE REGION NEWS

By Swanee

Governor and Mrs. Richard Kirman and daughter Clair of Carson visited their summer home near Pomin's on Sunday last. Dick Jr. is reported steadily gaining strength in his slow fight back to health in Santa Barbara.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hussey left Tahoe on November 20th to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with Mrs. Hussey's parents in San Gabriel.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stevens left town on Monday for San Francisco where they plan to remain for a two week's vacation visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. Ermine Pritchard, Truckee telephone operator, was a guest of Mrs. H. H. Hull at Tahoe for the day on Monday.

Monday's mail contained a card from the Ted Marshalls who are enjoying a month's vacation on a wild and wooly cow ranch in Arizona. They plan to return to Tahoe before long with an interesting story.

Another missive from Eugene Re at San Jose informs me that his father Joe Re, (the sight of whose eye was seriously threatened just before leaving Tahoe when struck by flying chips from a rock he was splitting at the Kaiser estate,) is still in San Francisco undergoing special medical attention. It is believed now that he will retain sight in the injured optic.

Monday's mail also brought word from James Wilson, well known locally, who left a short time ago to try his luck at placer mining, that someone with "taking ways" had already washed his claim clean of gold, so he is enjoying a little hunting while marking time awaiting a promised job near Oroville.

Lewis K. Rhodes of San Francisco, local representative for the Tahoe Tattler, was in town over the week end gathering together material for a mid-winter issue of his paper. He was a guest of the George Bliss home.

Among prominent guests at Tahoe Inn over Sunday were Mrs. E. Humphrey of the University of Nevada and Miss L. Clark.

Mrs. A. M. Henry was hostess at a quaint and charming luncheon and afternoon of bridge last Saturday. An Oriental air was given the spacious living room by Chinese motifs of decoration and red silk pajamas worn by Celeste Planett who assisted her sister in receiving and serving. The luncheon itself consisted of chop suey, brown rice and other complimentary dishes of simllar character, the eating of which was hilariously attempted with the chop sticks provided by the hostess. In order to conserve time, however, resort was made by all to the good old American fork. Chinese tea and fancy Chinese candies topped off an unusually fine luncheon. Stella Watson and Mrs. Pearl Heller proved adepts at tea leaf fortune telling, causing much amusement. Ladies who attended included Mesdames Weller Atherton, first prize, Betty Stevens, second prize, George Bliss, third prize, Bliss Hinkle, consolation, Pearl Heller of Meek's Bay, Jewel Bechdolt, Ethel Vernon, Hazel Armstrong, Stella Watson, W. A. Simmonds, Celeste Planett, Rad Kieffer, of the Drum estate, Myrtle Gallinger, Alice Brown, Minnie Pomin, Eleanor Swanson, Amelia Wehrman, Ruth Mayfield, and the Misses Florence Vernon, Rosalie Heller and and Patsy Henry who also assisted her mother in serving.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swanson observed their wedding anniversary on Wednesday evening, entertaining a few friends at dinner. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lathe, Mr. and Mrs. William Topp, Stella Watson and Jimmie Swanson, Many felicitations and presents were received during the day.

MGM's camera men have been flitting about the local firmament getting more background shots, especially of cloud effects. They will be used largely in the filming of Pearl Buck's "The Good Earth." They were in Reno last week and are scheduled back at Tahoe on Sunday or Monday.

Roy Mikkelson of the Auburn Ski Club was tendered a farewell party on Saturday night at Monta Vista Inn. A large crowd of friends were present to wish him Godspeed, prior to his departure for New York, where he will join the American Winter Sports Olympic Team, of which he was selected a member. They plan to leave for Garm'sch-Partenkirchen, Germany, for competition in the coming Olympics in February.

About 50 persons witnessed the second football game between Tahoe and Truckee on Saturday afternoon at the golf links. Tahoe, however could not put up much of a fight as several of her best players were out of the game with illness, including Joe and Robert Pomin and Walter Mandeville, who played in the last quarter despite a bad case of measles. Carl Bechdolt Jr. Captain of the local team, made the only touchdown for Tahoe by bucking the line. Truckee made one touchdown by a pass and one by a fumble. A touchback gave them an additional 2 points making the score at the end of the game 14 to 6 in favor of Truckee. According to observers the Tahoe boys were in Truckee territory most of the time but Truckee 'got the breaks' when it came to scoring. Another game, at which it is hoped all the Tahoe boys will be present, will be played on next Saturday, weather permitting.

High school will let out on December 20th for the Christmas holidays and will not take in until January6th. The Grammar school will close on December 20th for the winter, and will not take in again until the end of March, or the first of April next year.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hevel and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Duffee and daughter Eunice are also among those who have departed for the winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wathen, who left last week, will enjoy a motor trip through southern California and visit Boulder Dam, among other interesting places. They will probably winter in Berkeley.

Local duck hunters have been having fairly good luck with their hunting, ducks being elusive, but present on the lake if one knows where to look for them.

Mrs. C. W. Vernon was hostess on Friday last to members of the local literary club who met at her home in town. A very tempting luncheon preceded an afternoon of oral reading and study. Those present included Mrs. Anne Anderson, Mrs. Amelia Wehrman, Mrs. Eleanor Swanson, Miss Florence Vernon.

At the meeting of the Tahoe Ski Club last Friday night it was decided, in an effort to inject a little frivolity into the club, that at next Friday's meeting a ski queen and also a ski king would be elected by the members. No significance it attached to the royal offices, except that the winners preside at local affairs in a spirit of gaiety. A party, described by Mrs. A. M. Henry, secretary as a 'Doughnut-Dunking-Jamboree," and social evening will be held in place of the business meeting on next Friday night, December 13th at the clubhouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lathe planned to depart from Tahoe on Wednesday morning for the winter. Mrs. Lathe will visit with her sister, Mrs. Jack Watt, whose husband is a guard at San Quintin prison, indefinitely, while her husband will continue on to Oakland. The Lathes spent the summer here.

Mrs. Henry D. Worden of Sunnyside who has been confined to her home for several weeks with an attack of pleurisy is considerably improved this week and now able to walk a little and remain downstairs for several hours each day.

No further information has been received in regards to the shooting last week of Matmai, the big huskie loaned Harry Johansson for the winter by Father Bernard Hubbard. I am in receipt of a letter from Captain John D. Hubbard of Chico, who although regretting the dog's death keenly, is taking it philosophically. Katmai, who was 7 years old, was to have gone to King's Island, Alaska, next winter with his master on another trip of scientific investigation. Now Harry has been loaned another dog, the big gray 'Huskie,' which Campbell Brothers at Truckee have kept chained up at their Associated Oil Service station all summer. He will learn discipline at the Tahoe kennels, for although Johansson is good to the dogs, feeds and treats them well, he demands strictest obedience from his pets.

Frank Armstrong local vegetable man, returned to Tahoe from his Idaho ranch last week with a load of produce and also his brother and wife who will remain to visit for a few days.

Mrs. Alice Brown of Sacramento is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Minnie Pomin at Idlewild, for a week or ten days.

Tahoe is still enjoying mild weather for this time of the year. An inch of snow fell on Friday night but melted away with the dawn. Skies are dark and overcast at this writing.

Harry Johansson received word this week of the death, on November 13th, of a nephew, Bertil Anderson, 20, just graduated from college in Goteborg, Sweden.

A chickenpox epidemic has been around the town during the past several weeks, not only a number of school children coming down with it, but grown ups also. The attacks have been of a mild nature.

Employes of the Tahoe fish hatchery are busily engaged this week in the gathering of trout spawn for winter hatching. About 400,000 brook trout eggs have already been taken for this purpose from Marlette Lake and the Hobart dam. The run is reported to be now at its height at Marlette Lake, and the work there will be completed within another week. The cans of fish eggs are being carried on skis three miles from Marlette to Spooners Lake where they can be loaded on trucks on the main highway, as the roads to the upper lakes of the region are now closed in many places by packed snow.

Recent guests at the C. R. Heller home at Meeks Bay were Mr. and Mrs. Les Daly and daughter Sheila, of Sacramento.

Harry Grayson who has been the house guest of Capt. Hans Hansen of Rubicon Lodge has gone to Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Walker of Rubicon Park and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McGee were joint hosts at a turkey dinner at the Walker home. Twenty-two guests sat down to the banquet table which was attractively decorated with holiday decorations. The guests included: Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Henry and children Junior and Patsy of Tahoe City; Mr. and Mrs. Bowen and Mrs. Bowen, Sr. of Homewood; Mr. and Mrs. Radford Kiefer of Chinquipin Cove; Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Heller and daughter Rosalie; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hale and son Frank; Capt. Hans Hansen; Mr. and Mrs. R. McWilliams of the CCC camp at Rubicon Park and the hosts.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Heller were recent hosts at their home at Meeks Bay at a turkey dinner in honor of their houseguests Mr. and Mrs. Les Daly. A social evening was enjoyed following the dinner. Those present were: Capt. Hans Hansen, Harry Grayson, Mr. and Mrs. Radford Kiever and Mr. and Mrs. Les Daly and daughter Sheila.

Capitol Gets Its Annual Bath

The Capitol building in Washington is undergoing its annual cleaning, both inside and out. This picture shows members of the District of Columbia fire department playing their hose on the majestic building "on the hill."

HOBART MILLS

Norman Edwards celebrated his eighth birthday on Tuesday afternoon and in honor of the event his friends tendered him a surprise party after school. Games were enjoyed during the first part of the afternoon and refreshments served to all present before departing for their homes. Norman received many nice gifts and the following attended Margaret, Barbaro, Betty, Dolores, Dan and Donald Knies, Dolores and James Grass, John McLeod, Caroline Otis, Neva Thomas, Edwin Murray, Howard Anderson, Darlene Weatherstone, Gerald West, Bobby Canady, Bobby and Arlean Edwards, Stanlet Dundas, Jimmie, Miriam and Norman Edwards.

Mrs. H. G. Siebold entertained a group of friends at her home on Friday afternoon of last week. The time being spent playing bridge and when scores were counted awards were made to Mrs. E. C. Murray and Mrs. Martin Nelson. Refreshments were served by the hostess during the afternoon.

A son was born on December 6th, at Carson City to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Dolan of Virginia City. The Dolans are former residents of Hobart Mills and their local friends are offering their congratulations. The baby has been named Joseph Richard.

Mrs. Karl Weeks is a patient at the Hobart Hospital, having undergone an appendix operation during the week.

De Dundas and Karl Weeks accompanied by Dr. Cozzalio of Truckee have returned from a duck hunting trip to Tule Lake.

Miss Jean Terrill of Alameda spent the week end visiting with Dr. and Mrs. Schwing.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jouett returned home on Sunday from a few days visit in Santa Cruz and reported foggy weather in the valley.

Mrs. William Cross spent the week end in Reno where she visited her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Fletcher and children visited Mr. Fletcher's parents in Carson on Saturday and Sunday and also saw Mrs. Mark Dolan and infant son.

Mrs. Walter Edwards has returned home after spending a few days in Sparks where she visited at the home of Mrs. Ed Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Murray and Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Murray and son Edwin visited Jack Murray at Forbestown on Sunday.

Walter Viggers went to Sacramento on Saturday where he visited his family who are spending this month with relatives in the Capitol City.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson visited Mr. and Mrs. George Seymour at Brockway on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Nelson were Reno visitors on Saturday.

Ellis Parish who was confined to his home several days last week is feeling much better and has returned to work.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gates and son Jack visited with their daughter Mrs. Earl Cuddeback at Sacramento on Sunday. Mrs. Gates remained over for a few days visit with friends, and expects to return to her home on Wednesday evening.

Joe Mariana who has worked here for many years has gone away for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Merryman, of Truckee were Hobart visitors on Sunday afternoon. The Merryman's formerly were caretakers at Webber Lake and are living in Truckee this winter.

T. K. Oliver and Frank A. Wilson were Sierraville business visitors on Tuesday morning.

Forest Ranger Pete Land of Sierraville was a Hobart visitor on Monday.

Hobart friends of Mr. E. P. Gleason of Nevada City were grieved to learn of his death in Nevada City on Monday morning. Although Mr. Gleason has not been in the best of health the past few months his death came as a surprise to his friends. Mr. Gleason was in the Forest Service for many years employed on the Tahoe Forest and was located at Foresthill up until the time of his illness. Ralph and Verne Gleason who are employed at Camp 21 during the summer months are his sons.

The Hobart Parent Teachers association met at the schoolhouse on Monday evening with a good number of members attending. Plans were made for a series of card parties to be given here after the first of the year and the teachers reported getting a short program ready for Friday evening December 20, when school will close for the Christmas vacation.

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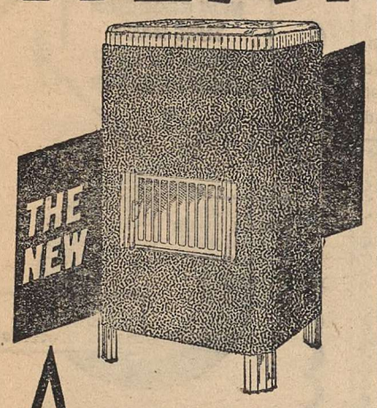

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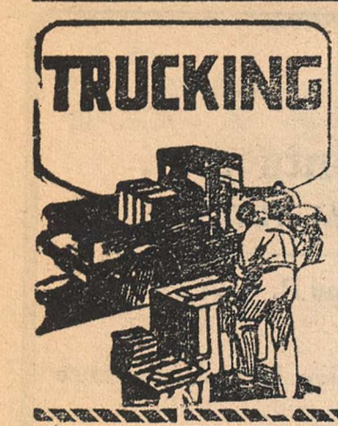

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NORDEN NEWS

Better times are evident with the Christmas tree rush in full swing and local residents rushing to all points of vantage to do their early Christmas shopping while Santa Claus is becoming concerned over the lack of snow in which to carry the heavy loaded sleigh from house top to housetop, although plenty of time is available to have ample snows for his journeyings nevertheless some concern is felt.

Teddy Eversalt and his mother are in Sacramento for several days while Teddy is recovering from a cold which has been most persistent.

Mrs. John Lyons and her son, Kenneth are visiting the Rutishauser family in Kelseyville for several days.

Bill Seitz is the man of the hour with his Christmas tree orders filled on Sunday while on Monday he receives additional orders which removed his ever present smile temporarily.

The latest turf follower to be successful in reaping rewards is none other than Walter Ferguson of Norden.

One more week of school in which Norden elementary school will close until next April as it is on a summer schedule account of the majority of pupils reside at distant points and the heavy snow retards attendance to a marked degree, another successful term has been realized by the parents of the pupils in which much learning has been the result from the untiring efforts of their teacher, Mrs. Ethel Thelkel.

The latest happy countenance fell to George Drew who has been transferred to the yard gang in Sacramento of the Southern Pacific Company.

Mrs. Nobel Robinson of Sacramento was the house guest of Clarence Libby family for several days.

John Kinsey of B & B 108 is on leave to his former home at Des Moines, Iowa over the Christmas holidays.

Daniel Lyons of Norden was a recent visitor at his home in Oakland.

Norden's butter and egg man, O. D. Call spent last week end in Sacramento checking up on current market prospects.

It will not be long until Louie Featsent will be Redding bound to cure a cold that seems to hang on, Redding supplies the sure cure in every instance.

Seth Megordon of B & B 3 has transferred to Sacramento where his future awaits.

Several Norden residents have a siege of colds and it seems to persist despite all remedies taken.

John Sheriff Creasy has much to report on his last trip to Sacramento.

New Canine Laws Proposed

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12 —(UP)— California canines no doubt would heartily approve the "dog's life" proposed by the recently incorporated Tail Waggers Foundation of America.

The foundation will have headquarters at Los Angeles, according to the papers filed with Secretary of State Frank C. Jordan. Harry Hammond Ball headed the board of directors. Purposes of the organization include:

Establishment of dog shelters; providing lost dog recovery bureaus; correcting unjust dog ordinances and passage of beneficial legislation for dogs; defeat of vivisection, and education of children in kindness to animals.

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Notice to Contractors

Notice is hereby given that the Truckee School District, of Nevada County, California, will receive bids for furnishing all labor, material, transportation and services for the construction of a School Building located at Truckee, California; each bid to be in accordance with plans and specifications now on file with the Clerk, Board of Trustees, Truckee School District, Truckee, California, or the Architect, Matsen & Hurd, 233 Post Street, San Francisco, California.

Notice is hereby given that all proceedings relating to the above project, including bidding, award of contract, and all work to be done on the project, are subject to the Rules and Regulations and all conditions prescribed by the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works.

Bidders are hereby notified that pursuant to the statutes of the State of California, or local law thereto applicable and in compliance with the Regulations of the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works, the Truckee School District, of Nevada County, California, has ascertained the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and rates for legal holiday and overtime work in the locality in which this work is to be performed, for each craft or type of workmen or mechanic needed to execute the contract which will be awarded the successful bidder.

The prevailing rates so determined are as follows:

Trade or Occupation	Min. Rate Per 8 Hr. Day	Min. Wage Scale Per Hr.	Legal Holiday and Overtime
Bricklayers	$ 10.00	$ 1.25	Double Time shall be paid for work on Sundays and Holidays; one and one-half time shall be paid for Overtime.
Carpenters	8.00	1.00	
Painters	8.00	1.00	
Plumbers	8.80	1.10	
Plasterers	8.80	1.10	
Sheet Metal Men	8.80	1.10	
Tile Setters	10.00	1.25	
Roofers, Compo.	8.00	1.00	
Roofers, Tile	8.00	1.00	
Electricians	8.00	1.00	
Steam Fitters	8.00	1.00	
Lathers (Wood or Metal)	8.80	1.10	
Hodcarriers	6.00	0.75	
Laborers	5.00	0.625	
Structural Steel	11.00	1.375	
Concrete Finisher	9.00	1.125	
Linoleum Layers	8.00	1.00	

The foregoing schedule of per diem wages is based on a working day of eight (8) hours. The hourly wage rate prescribed hereinabove is the per diem rate divided by the aforementioned number of hours constituting a working day.

It shall be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded, and upon any subcontractor under him, to pay not less than the said specified rates to all laborers, workmen and mechanics employed by them in the execution of the contract.

Notice is also hereby given that all bidders must submit with their bids, a sworn statement of their financial responsibility, technical ability and experience.

"Notice is also hereby given that all bidders must submit with their bids a tentative schedule showing the classes of labor and the number of each class he will require in the performance of the contract."

Each bid shall be made out on a form to be obtained at the office of the Clerk, Board of Trustees, Truckee School District, Truckee, California or the office of the Architect, Masten & Hurd, 233 Post Street, San Francisco, California; must be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check or bid bond for five (5%) per cent of the amount of the bid made payable to the order of the Truckee School District, of Nevada County California; shall be sealed and filed with the County Superintendent of Schools, Nevada County, Nevada City, California, on or before December 12th, 1935 at 5 o'clock P. M. and will be opened in public at or about 5 o'clock P. M. of that day in the office of the County Superintendent of Schools, Nevada County, Nevada City, California.

The above mentioned check or bond shall be given as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into contract if awarded the work, and will be declared forfeited if the successful bidder refuses to enter into said contract after being requested so to do by the Truckee School District.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a labor and material bond in an amount equal to 50% of the contract price, and a faithful performance bond in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price, said bonds to be secured from a surety company satisfactory to the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works and to the Truckee School District. A list of such surety companies is on file with the Clerk, Board of Trustees, Truckee School District, Truckee, California, or at the office of the Architect, Masten & Hurd, 233 Post Street, San Francisco, California.

The Truckee School District, of Nevada County, California, reserves the right to reject any or all bids and / or waive any irregularities in a bid.

Award of any contract hereunder shall be conditioned upon funds being made available for construction thereunder and upon the Truckee School District having the right to hold all bids received for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of the opening thereof, unless otherwise required by law.

Dated: Truckee, California, this 25th day of November, 1935.

(Signed) T. O'HANRAHAN, (President)
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES, TRUCKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

First publication: Nov. 28, 1935.

Preparations Made for Constitutional Amendment

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12 —(UP)— Coincidental with the start of a tax reducing drive by the state chamber of commerce, preparations were made to begin circulation of an initiative constitutional amendment which would limit to $207,000,000 the biennial appropriations authorized by the California legislature.

The chamber of commerce distributed the state folders which graphically portray the increased cost of government and show where the taxpayers money goes.

Without giving any suggestions for reducing governmental expense, the chamber points out that taxes of all kinds paid by Californians increased from $95,133,000 in 1914 to $511,956,000 in 1934, a gain of 438 per cent during a period in which population increased only 113 per cent and basic income 150 per cent.

Further examples of the state's financial situation is given in statements that the legislature authorized expenditures of $427,000,000 for the present biennium, when total expected revenues will be less than $365,000,000; that expenditures of counties, cities and special districts will be $25,000,000 more during the present fiscal year than they were last year; that despite the fact the legislature enacted $97,000,000 in new taxes, the deficit at the end of the biennium may be $79,000,000.

Other significant points include: "All the production of California's farms in 1933 would not have paid California's tax bill that year. Production of California's mines, oil and gas wells in 1933-34 together would not have paid the tax bill in one year, 1934. Total taxes paid by Californians in 1934 amounted to 65 per cent of the total gross income of all agricultural, mineral, petroleum, lumbering and fishing industries in the state. It would have taken 25 per cent of all the wages and salaries received by wage earners in California to have paid for the taxes in 1934."

The chamber of commerce asks "Why" governmental costs have increased so heavily and urges that everyone "work for reduced costs."

Meanwhile, John Corgiat, Jr., of Oakland, has prepared an initiative proposal which, if approved by the electorate, would prohibit the legislature from appropriating more than $207,850,000 for any biennium without permission of a majority of the people. In order to qualify for the 1936 ballot, the initiative petition must be signed by 186,000 registered voters.

Its approval would necessitate a readjustment of school and other "fixed" costs.

This is the first major movement recorded here in the drive to reduce governmental expenses, although smaller savings have been attempted through adoption of economy measures which may trim a few thousand from costs.

The cry of "trim expenses" is accompanied by efforts to repeal the sales tax, the income tax and the chain store and oleomargarine taxes. First report of the filing of petitions against the income tax came from the San Francisco registrar's office. Already, there is qualified a "single tax" proposal which provides for repeal of the sales tax. The chain store and oleomargarine tax proposals will be tested at the next election.

Agricultural Industry Shows Vast Increase

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12 —(UP)— Once again California agriculture has become an industry with a $500,000,000 annual income.

On the basis of estimates prepared by the state department of agriculture, Director A. A. Bock indicated that the state's farmers are walking the road toward prosperity as compared with recent years.

Tentative estimates dealing with 78 crops and 13 livestock items, with complete reports yet to be prepared, show a gross income for the entire year of 1934 amounting to $493,525,000.

How far this amount may be exceeded is indicated by reports showing that up to August 31 total estimated income from agricultural products this year amounted to $308,789,000 as compared with $268,132,000 for the same months of 1934 and $206,504,000 for the comparable period of 1933.

"Principally on account of drought conditions that prevailed in 1934, the wheat, oats, barley, grain sorghum and hay crops materially increased in the present season," Brock said. "An analysis of the principal field crops indicates greater production in 1935 than in any previous year for corn, wheat, oats, barley, flaxseed, grain sorghum, potatoes, sweet potatoes, alfalfa, grain hay and other tame hay.

"According to forecasts of fruit crop production up to and including October, apples, apricots, prunes, grapes and walnuts show an increase in production compared with last year. Almonds, peaches, pears, and plums indicate a decrease in production.

"The past year has been a good one for the livestock industry. There has been an abundance of feed of all kinds at reasonable prices to the producer. Pastures and ranges provided an abundance of feed almost throughout the year. Under prevailing conditions, the outlook for the livestock producer for the winter months is very encouraging.

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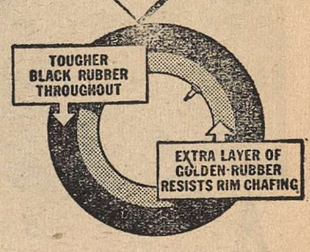

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In all Christian Science churches, branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., a Lesson-Sermon will be read Sunday, December 15, on the subject "God the Preserver of Man."

The Golden Text will be: "The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore" (Ps. 121:8). Bible selections will include the following passages from I Peter 3:10, 12-13: "For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile: For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?"

A passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, will also be included, which reads as follows: "To hold yourself superior to sin, because God made you superior to it and governs man is true wisdom. To fear sin is to misunderstand the power of Love and the divine Science of being in man's relation to God,—to doubt His government and distrust His omnipotent care" (p. 231).

Origin and Meaning Of Names of Counties

The story of how California counties derived their names is an interesting part of the history of the Golden State. Believing that the thousands of tourists who annually motor over the state's great highway system would like to know how the counties they visit came by their names, Director of Public Works Earl Lee Kelly, at the request of Governor Frank F. Merriam has had prepared from state records a series of brief stories of the origin and meaning of the names of the counties of California including a few salient facts about each county. Following is the 17 installment of the series. Editor.

Sierra County—Created April 16, 1852. "Sierra" is the Spanish word for "saw," and was applied to the chain of mountains, Sierra Nevada, meaning "snow saw," because of the jagger, serrated or saw-tooth peaks which form the sky line of this range of mountains, and the county that bears the name "Sierra" was so called because of the jagged peaks within its borders.

In bygone ages rivers flowed across Sierra county from north to south or from northeast to southwest, depositing beds of auriferous (gold bearing) gravel. A titanic convulsion of the earth threw up masses of boiling mud and melted rock, changing the valleys into lofty mountains and forming new courses for the rivers. And then, in 1849, pioneers began mining and to date Sierra has yielded in excess of $250,000,000 in gold within a 20-mile radius of the county seat of Downieville.

Reno, Nevada lies a few miles directly east of the county, Lake Tahoe 15 miles southeast, while the State Capitol, Sacramento, is 95 miles southwest, reached over a splendid highway. Sierra is one of the best known mountain counties, presenting rugged mountain views, snow-capped peaks, several beautiful lakes, areas of the Plumas and Tahoe National Forests, and one of the largest and most productive of all mountain valleys. Sierra Valley measures 30 miles in length by 10 miles in width. The elevation is 5,000 feet with a delightful summer climate. It is a very productive garden spot with 18,000 acres under cultivation Crops include wheat, oats, barley, alfalfa, potatoes, clover, hay, apples, peaches, pears, prunes, plums and walnuts.

Sierra trails, historic mining towns, and hunting and fishing attract thousands of tourists. Motorists on Yuba Pass Highway arrive unexpectedly in the quaint county seat of Downieville. The location is on a large flat at the junction of the north and south forks of the Yuba River, practically enclosed on all sides by the forest-clad walls of Yuba Canyon. Buildings erected in the fifties with overhanging balconies and a few modern structures line the crooked streets. Loyalton in northeastern Sierra is an agricultural dairying and lumbering community. Alleghany is a picturesque old mining town. Population: 2,422. Area: 923 square miles.

Siskiyou County—Created March 22, 1852. The word Siskiyou never has been authentically determined. It generally has been assumed that this is the name of a tribe of Indians inhabiting this region, but there are several stories regarding its derivation and meaning. Senator Jacob R. Snyder of San Francisco, who advocated the formation of this county, in an argument delivered April 14, 1852, in the Senate of the State of California, stated that the French name "Six Callieux" was given to a ford on the Umpqua River at which place Michel la Frambeau, who led a party of Hudson Bay Company trappers, crossed in the year 1832. Six large stones or rocks lay in the river where they crossed, and they gave it the name of "Six Callieux," (Pronounced "Seeski-you") or Six-stone Ford," and from this the mountain or butte derived its name, which was subsequently given to the county when created.

Lying in Northern California between the county of Del Norte on the west and Modoc on the east with its northern boundry the California-Oregon state line, Siskiyou is the fifth largest county in the state and a magnificent land of mountains, forest, rivers, creeks and valleys. The county is making tremendous strides in lumbering and dairying, but industrial and agricultural progress never will overshadow the commanding position Siskiyou offers as a playground, McCloud, Klamath, Salmon, Scott, Shasta and Pit rivers are known to anglers the world over and the hunting grounds are equally famous.

Of the county's 4,003,840 acres, approximately one-fifth is comprised of valleys, the five largest of which are Shasta, Scott, Butte, Squaw and Strawberry. Much of the acreage is embraced in the Klamath National Forest, theShasta National Forest and the Crater National Forest. Because of its popularity as a vacation land, the state spent $1,000,000 on roads and highways in the county in 1930 and since improved them greatly. With approximately 1,000,000 tillable acres, 630,000 now are under cultivation.

Jedediah Smith, hunter and trapper, led a party through Northern California in 1827 and is supposed to have been the first white man to enter Siskiyou. Two years later the Hudson Bay Company sent a party there and were followed by the early settlers and miners of '49.

Dunsmuir, railroad division point. Montagus, Mount Shasta, Fort Jones and Weed are thriving communities. Yreka, once the historic mining camp known as Thompson's Dry Diggings and later Shasta Butte City is the county seat.

Population: 25,480. Area: 6,256 square miles.

Solano County—Created February 18, 1850. One of the original twenty-seven counties. "Solano" in Spanish means "east wind," and was the second name of the celebrated missionary Francisco Solano. When the chief of the powerful tribe of Suisunes Indians, which inhabited the west side of the River Jesus Maria, now the Sacramento River, was christianized, he was by this missionary baptized Solano, and as his residence was in the valley of Suisun, the name Solano was given to this county.

Noted for its early fruit, delightful climate, the Mare Island Navy Yard, deep water ports and splendid highways, Solano possesses a history intimately associated with the building of California. General Vallejo first ruled over this region when it was under Mexican rule, serving as Military Governor under Castro, Guitierrez, Chico, Alvarado, Micheltoreno and Pico. During the four years after California become a State in 1850, this county engaged in several political battles in the selection of a State Capitol. Both Vallejo and Benicia were for a time the seat of government, but in 1850 the legislature designated Vallejo as the capitol. In 1852 the legislature moved to Sacramento because a saloon and bowling alley occupied the two-story building that was the capitol. In March a flood swept through Sacramento so the capitol moved back to Vallejo. After vainly trying to get the legislators back, Sacramento joined forces with Benicia and that city was designed the capitol on May 18, 1853. The next year, Cacramento and Vallejo banded together and the capitol was removed to Sacramento where it has remained.

Solano is famous for its orchards and vineyards. Prunes and plums comprise over 40 per cent of the county's fruit crop. It is a leader in apricot and peach production. It ships the first cherries to the East each season. Vaca Valley is one of the loveliest of California's agricultural regions. Solano's pioneers sent the first fruit from this State to the East in 1871. Its markets now extend to the Orient, South and Central America and Europe.

Deep-water shipping facilities and factory sites at Benicia, Cordelia, famous for its cherries, Dixon with its thoroughbred cattle, sheep and swine, Rio Vista, Sacramento River port, Suisun and Fairfield, charming Vacaville and historic Vallejo make Solano an envied and unusual county. Population: 40,834. Area: 822 square miles.

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GROCERIES

Mary Burns, Fugitive

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CHAPTER 3

"Mary Burns," shouted the District Attorney, "Is it not true that you and Wilson—intended to get married?"

"I—I didn't know he was—" began the frightened girl on the witness stand. She looked out over the crowded courtroom as if for assistance, but each face there seemed to gloat at her misery.

"The question is," interrupted her torturer, "did you intend to marry him?"

"Yes," said the girl in a small, faraway voice.

"Did he ever tell you he was wanted for killing a cashier and looting a Federal Bank?"

"No."

"Where did you think he got his money?"

"I don't know—"

"You planned to marry him—yet it never occurred to you to ask him?" The District Attorney's tone was sarcastic. The crowd tittered.

"But —I—I—" Mary twisted her handkerchief into a knot.

"Answer the question—yes or no!"

"Yes," she replied bitterly.

"At the time of your arrest, you admit that Wilson was burning negotiable bonds in your kitchen. Yet you stated you didn't know those bonds were stolen? If so, then why did you think he was burning them? Wasn't it because you KNEW they were stolen?"

"No—I—"

"You didn't know the bonds were stolen—yet you sat there and let them burn," the District Attorney pounded the point home. "Did you try to extinguish the flames?"

"No-o-o."

"Then you did know they were stolen! And you did know that you were helping a criminal to destroy evidence!"

"Why—I—I—"

Can you deny that you were aiding a criminal to destroy evidence?" the prosecutor rushed on, giving the anguished girl no chance to collect her thoughts. "Is it not true that your sweetheart used the protection of your restaurant while he tried to shoot down officers of the law? Is it not true? Answer—yes or no!"

"Yes," whispered Mary, who was almost at the breaking point.

"Then you do admit the following: That you did aid him in the destruction of criminal evidence. That you did harbor and protect him against the forces of the law."

During this speech Mary had become more and more distraught. When the District Attorney finished she rose in the witness chair, trembling with emotion—confused—bewildered—hardly able to think coherently. Her voice came in an hysterical scream:

Yes! Yes! Yes! I've done all those things! So I'm guilty if you want me to say it! I'm guilty! I'm guilty!"

Two or three days after her forced "confession" Mary again was led into the courtroom, this time to hear the judge pronounce sentence.

"This is not merely an indictment against an individual—but against a system. The time has come when we must look upon all persons who designedly or otherwise, help the criminal—as enemies to society."

The justice paused dramatically and looked down over his glasses at the trembling girl who stood before him.

"Mary Burns," he continued at last, "you have been found guilty of aiding, abetting and harboring a criminal—and of you an example must be made once and for all. For you are as much a criminal as the criminal himself—with gun in hand and murder in his heart. This court, having found you guilty, prescribes the maximum penalty provided by law. Mary Burns, I sentence you to the Penitentiary for a term of Fifteen years!"

"Fifteen years!" Mary leaped forward, wildly entreating, her hands pressing against her throat as if to repress a scream ."Fifteen years! You can't!"

"Some fun; eh, kid?" Goldie, Mary Burns' cell-mate, flopped down on her cot and wiped the perspiration from her face with one grimy paw.

"The end of another perfect day!" answered Mary as she tugged at her shapeless shoes. "I washed ten thousand dishes—and loved it."

"In a pig's eye," jeered Goldie. "The heat in that kitchen would cook a Chinaman." As she spoke she turned up the mattress, reached into a hole she had cut in it and brought forth a ball of heavy string. Two make-shift wooden needles were stuck in it. Quite a bit of stuff already had been knitted but she kept it so tightly rolled that it was impossible to see what sort of garment it was supposed to be.

"I can hardly believe I've been here three months," mused Mary as she started to undress for bed. "I'll never get used to seeing women caged up like animals—robbed of everything that belongs to them—homes—children."

"I've always wondered how a nice country girl like you got mixed up with a tough hombre like Wilson," said Goldie as she slipped into her coarse nightshirt. "It don't make sense. And yet—I don't know of a woman in this hen-house who isn't here because of some rat like Wilson."

A knock at the door interrupted their conversation. In a flash Goldie hid her knitting under the mattress.

"I have some good news for you," said the Chief Matron as she unlocked the door and entered a moment later. Mr. Cameron, of the Prison Parole Board, has taken personal interest in your case, Mary Burns. He'll be here on Monday—to talk to you."

But the interview proved of little value for Mary.

"I can practically promise you a parole — in return for certain information," said Mr. Cameron, whose real name was Harper and who was a special agent of the Department of Justice instead of the parole board.

"I'll tell you anything I can," the girl answered quietly.

"Good! We want to know where Wilson hides out—who his friends are—all about him."

"But I don't know. Honest, I'm telling the truth," cried Mary. "I don't know! If I did I'd tell you."

"Mary Burns," said Harper coldly. "You're lying." Then for half an hour he begged, bribed and threatened, all to no avail. Mary could not tell him what she did not know. To her, Don Wilson had been known only as an exfootball star who was in the oil business.

"Why do you sacrifice your freedom to protect this murderer," pleaded Harper at last. "He's not worth such love."

"I don't love him! I hate him." Mary leaped to her feet, her fists tense. "I've hated him ever since that night I saw him kill a man—Can't you see I'm innocent? Can't you see a girl like me couldn't love a murderer. Won't you believe me?"

Reading stark disbelief in their eyes, she allowed herself to be led away. When she was gone Harper said to the Matron:

"That girl is either the cleverest, shrewdest and hardest criminal I've ever encountered—or what she says is true. I'm the Special Agent of this case and it's my duty to find out—one way or another."

(To be continued)

Sweet Spuds Show Increase

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12 —(UP)— One other California crop popular for the holiday table is reported above par by the federal-state crop reporting service.

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City News in Brief

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Mr. and Mrs. George Pace have returned from a motor trip to the bay region.

Mrs. Milton Wilson has returned to her home in Fontana ofter visiting with her husband for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Merryman of Webber Lake have taken delivery of a Ford Coupe from Thornton's Tourist Garage.

Chamber of Commerce luncheon will be held at Besio's on Monday, December 16th.

Karl Kielhofer was a business visitor in San Francisco over the week end.

Mrs. Wilbur Maynard visited in Stockton and San Francisco for several days last week.

Mrs. Theresa Matthews has returned from a two weeks visit in San Francisco.

Otto Renpfer of Lake Tahoe recently purchased a Ford Coupe from Thornton's Tourist Garage.

Dan Smith left on Sunday for Oakland where he will visit with his sister, Mrs. Lulu Behler and receive medical attention.

"Doc" C. H. Abernathy who recently returned from the Letterman Hospital where he has been receiving treatment is on a business trip to San Francisco.

Geo. Carter of Nevada City has been visiting in town for several days.

Yolanda Giovannoni, daughter of G. Geni, was operated on for the removal of her tonsils at St. Mary's Hospital in Reno on Wednesday.

Carl Smith has returned to his duties at the Checking Station after attending the school of instruction held by the motor vehicle department to train their employees in spotting stolen automobiles.

P. R. Nelson, principal of the Truckee Grammar School is in Nevada City for several days this week conducting the semi-annual examination of applicants for teachers certificates. Mr. Nelson is a member of the Nevada County Board of Education.

Slim Ellert and John Cabona have returned from a duck hunting trip at Tule Lake. They also visited the fishing resorts in northern part of the state and in Oregon.

Rail Commission Now Enforcing Trucking Laws

The recent activity of the Transportation Department of the Railroad Commission of California, in putting into effect the regulation of motor carriers on the highways of the state, has created unusual interest in the transportation world. In discussing this regulation, as brought in the enactment of the Highway and City Carriers Acts, which is so important to the shippers of the state, Warren K. Brown, Director of Transportation of the Commission, said:

"With the greatest part of the organization work of the Commission behind us we are now initiating the most important preliminary action under the new laws, as it refers to the compulsory filing of applications by truck owners for permits to operate on the highways of California for compensation, by sending our corps of experienced inspectors out in the field as a final check-up, and aid to the operators who have not filed.

"At the very beginning of the Commission's organization in sending out fourteen thousand application blanks to truck owners, with instructions on how to file, in order that they get their permits to operate, it was apparent, with the thousands of letters and phone calls pouring in, and personal calls from operators that a great many of the truckmen did not fully understand the questions submitted. This situation, which necessitated a most rigid inspection of every application and insurance policy attached, required no end of time and detail.

"In the meantime sending out permits to operators whose applications were checked "OK," and as many cab-cards and plates necessary for each truck owned by the operators, we found there were still some who had not sent in their applications. These either did not receive applications or were waiting for insurance coverage; the majority evidently did not know the classification they would come under.

"Consequently, with both the Los Angeles and San Francisco offices of the Commission fairly swamped, we arranged meetings with the truck owners in various localities. And, through the courtesy and fine cooperation of the Chambers of Commerce, truck owners associations, municipalities and newspapers representatives of the Commission met with and aided the truckmen to file their applications for a permit. And now as a final preliminary move the Commission has its full force of inspectors in the field to compel all truck operators to comply with the law."

Phillips Gives Views On Russian Situation

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 12 —(UP)— Russia today is a gigantic experimental laboratory, defying complete analysis, interesting, inefficient and withall a tremendous factor in the world of economics.

Such is the description of Russia as seen by Assemblyman John Phillips of Riverside who returned recently from a tour of Europe, coming to Sacramento to take part in the annual California convention of farmers and fruit growers.

"Russia has marvelous factories and practically every farm is mechanized, but I don't think there is an adding machine in the entire country," Phillips said. "It is a country of paradoxes. You find one of the finest art galleries in the world, but in the homes you scarcely ever see a picture upon the walls."

Russians, Phillips explained, are allowed to know about the outside world just what the government wants him to know. He thinks that every working man in the United States is starving.

"What I am wondering about is what will happen when the Russians finally learn that they have not got as much liberty as people have in other nations," Phillips said.

The assemblyman insisted that true Communism has not existed in Russian for many years, and that class distinctions are becoming more and more pronounced in the matter of salaries, dwellings and food.

"Russia today has just as definite a ruling class as it had under the czar — a class that holds itself in power by force," he explained

"Women are running Russia. You see that in government, in cities and on the farms. Women occupy the same social and economic status as the men, and they are outstripping their male associates."

Recognizing that Russia has made astounding progress in the last 15 years, Phillips insists it cannot compare with the United States "on any basis."

Brother and Sister Meet

WOODLAND, Dec. 12 —(UP)— For the first time since they parted in an orphanage 32 years ago J. J. Crossley of Woodland and his sister, Mrs. Irene Chandler of Los Angeles, met here recently.

The two were separated when an Alameda couple adopted Crossley's sister. At that time he was 11 years old and she an infant of one month.

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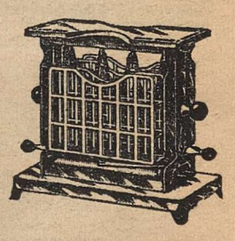

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